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  - X Specification ( 51 pgs, including claims numbered 1 through 45 and a 1 page Abstract).
  - X Unsigned Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney ( 3 pgs).
  - X Information Disclosure Statement ( 1 pg), Form 1449 ( 1 pg). References NOT enclosed, cited in prior application.
  - X Preliminary Amendment ( 3 pgs).
  - X Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R 1.27.

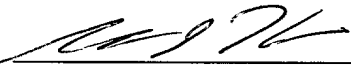
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